

City of Blue Lake  
City Council  
Skinner Store – 111 Greenwood Ave., Blue Lake, CA  
September 13, 2016  
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Adelene Jones, John Sawatzky, Michele McCall-Wallace, Jean Lynch

Councilmembers Absent: Stephen Kullmann

Staff Present: City Manager Amanda Mager, City Clerk April Sousa

**Motion to Approve the Agenda**

Councilmember Jones *motioned to approve the agenda as stated.* Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Input**

Dot Campbell, Blue Lake Resident, invited Council to the “Best of Blue Lake Block Party” on September 24, 2016. The purpose and activities of the event were presented.

AJ Tripp, Blue Lake Resident, presented an idea to Council regarding a carnival on Taylor Way. Council directed the City Manager to obtain all information from Mr. Tripp and present on a future agenda.

**Public Hearing: Final Close Out of the Completion of the Perigot Park Architectural Barrier Removal Project**

Mayor McCall-Wallace opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m.

The Public Hearing Closed at 7:16 p.m.

There were no comments.

**Blue Lake Chamber of Commerce Town Beautification Project - Chamber Presentation of Street Pole Banner Designs, Banner Sizes, Street Locations, and County Permit Information**

Mayor McCall-Wallace recused herself because her husband is the artist for this project.

Cynthia Coronado-Brown from the Chamber presented the item to Council. She noted a change to exhibit A, and handed out a revised map.

Clarification was made regarding the correlation between this project and the wayfinding signage issue that was passed on to the Planning Commission for a recommendation.

It was noted that the City of Blue Lake currently has a sign ordinance, and this project would not be disallowed.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to approve the purchase, installation and maintenance by the Chamber of Commerce for the Banner Beautification Project within the City of Blue Lake.* Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. After discussion, the motion vote was: Aye: Jones, Sawatzky Nays: Lynch. It was noted that due to the absence of Councilmember Kullmann, and the recusal of Mayor McCall-Wallace, the vote would need to be unanimous to move forward.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to approve the banner project as defined with the stipulation that the banner issue be discussed with the Planning Commission when the wayfinding sign issue is to be discussed.* Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried with the three remaining councilmembers voting in favor.

Mayor McCall-Wallace rejoins the Council for the remainder of the meeting.

**Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 520: An Ordinance of the City of Blue Lake Authorizing Participation in the Community Choice Aggregation Program Implemented and Operated by the Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA)**

Richard Engle, from RCEA, was present to answer any questions that the public or Council may have.

Councilmember Sawatzky *motioned for a second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 520: An Ordinance of the City of Blue Lake Authorizing Participation in the Community Choice Aggregation Program Implemented and Operated by the Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA), by title only.* Councilmember Jones seconded. The motion carried with the following vote:

Ayes: Jones, Sawatzky, Lynch, McCall-Wallace

Nays: none

Absent: Kullmann

**Blue Lake Business Park Discussion regarding Citizen Input Gathered by Councilmembers**

Mayor McCall-Wallace opens the discussion with a review of the item. Each Councilmember was asked about their list of items after talking with citizens. A list was recorded on the types of businesses desired within the Blue Lake Business Park and criteria to consider in Business Park development. It was directed that this list would go to the City Manager to use for future reference when proposals come in.

Council asked for a future agenda item on the vision and next steps, such as infrastructure, zoning issues, and policy.

**Real Estate Agreement for Services and Appointment of City's Real Estate Negotiator**

It was noted that a full contract was not presented to Council and that action could not be made on this item at this time. This item will come back at the next meeting.

**Consent Agenda**

There was only one item on the Consent Agenda, and it was pulled for discussion.

**Minutes from August 23, 2016 Regular Meeting**

General corrections of typographical errors were made.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to approve the Minutes from August 23, 2016 with changes made.* Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried.

**Reports of Council and Staff**

Councilmember Jones reported that there was no Humboldt Waste Management Authority meeting, and noted an upcoming event for September 16, 2016 - a historical talk by Jerry Rohde.

Councilmember Lynch had nothing to report.

Councilmember Sawatzky had nothing to report.

Mayor McCall-Wallace stated that there was no Public Safety Commission meeting this month, and that the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG) meeting was happening on Thursday, the 25th of August.

City Manager Mager noted she took a recent tour of the solar plant. It was asked if Blue Lake Rancheria might consider doing a tour for the community.

She also discussed a recent meeting of the Prosperity Group, and upcoming meetings that will involve Blue Lake.

Clarification was made regarding the submitted report of 2016/2017 funds from HCAOG.

### **Future Agenda Items**

- Lot on South Railroad and Gely
- B&B Lot on Taylor Way - dead trees - Landscaping plan questions
- Proposition 64 - Marijuana Cultivation
- Health Benefits for Employees
- Plan/Vision for Grant Funding for Economic Development
- Subcommittee Reports - Homelessness on the Levee Subcommittee, Fundraising Strategies Subcommittee, Friends of the Park Subcommittee, Economic Development Subcommittee
- Summer Program Financial Report
- Options for Corporation Yard
- Live/Work Spaces at the Business Park within a Flood Zone
- Outdoor Park next to Horse Arena - Parking/Community Use Issues
- Park Grounds and Dogs
- Herbicide Spraying information

### **Correspondence**

None.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

Councilmember Jones *motioned to adjourn*. Councilmember Lynch seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

April Sousa  
City Clerk